

Docket No. 208608US0PCT  
IN RE APPLICATION OF: Thomas DANIEL, et al.  
SERIAL NO: 09/831,915  
FILED: May 25, 2001  
FOR: HYDROGELS CAPABLE OF ABSORBING AQUEOUS FLUIDS



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GROUP 1712"

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SIR:  
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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☐ Additional documents filed herewith:

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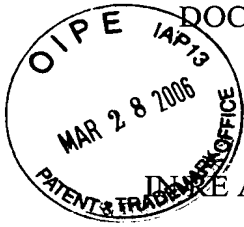
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**AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

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SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated January 13, 2006, please reconsider the application in view of the following amendment and remarks.

**AMENDMENT**

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

The **Basis for Amendment** begins on page 7 of this paper.

The **Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.